

REMARKS

A. Request for Reconsideration

Applicant has carefully considered the matters raised by the Examiner in the outstanding Office Action but remains of the position that patentable subject matter is present. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the Examiner's position based on the amendments to the specification, the amendments to the claims and the following remarks.

B. Allowable Subject Matter and Claim Amendments

The Examiner had indicated that claims 1-13 are allowed. Applicant has therefore cancelled claim 14 to place the application in condition for allowance.

C. Specification Amendments

The Examiner had objected to page 12 of the specification stating that the location of supply valve V is inaccurately described. Applicant has amended page 12 to state that ink is conveyed from tank T₀ to sub-tank T via supply valve V as shown Figure 1.

The Examiner had objected to page 13 stating that it explains that printing and irradiating are performed after printing and irradiating are completed. Applicant has amended page 13 as clarification.

Applicant has also amended page 19 of the application to refer to coil spring 42e which appears in Figure 5.

D. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. Should any extensions of time or fees be necessary in order to maintain this Application in pending condition, appropriate requests are hereby made and authorization is given to debit Account # 02-2275.

Respectfully submitted,

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